

REMARKS

The applicant thanks the Examiner for the very thorough consideration given the present application. No new matter is believed to be added to the application by this Response.

Entry Of Response

Entry of This Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 is respectfully requested because it complies with a matter of form set forth in the Office Action and places the application in condition for allowance.

Status Of The Claims

Claims 1-10 and 23-27 are pending in the application.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based On Kubo

Claims 1-6 and 23-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Kubo (U.S. Patent 6,295,109), in view of Moriyama (U.S. Patent 4,017,156) Park (U.S. Patent 6,411,347) and Okamoto (U.S. Patent 6,281,952). Claims 7-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Kubo in view of Park and Okamoto. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Park was filed in the United States on December 17, 1998 and issued on June 25, 2002. The present application was filed in the United States on April

26, 2000 and claims priority of Korea 1999-18970 filed in Korea on May 26, 1999. Park thus qualifies as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102(e).

Also, both Park and the present invention have the same assignee: LG. Philips LCD Co., Ltd. To verify that Park and the instant application had common ownership at the time the invention was made, the Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge the following statement:

Application serial no. 09/559,403 and U.S Patent 6,411,347 were, at the time the invention of Application serial no. 09/559,403 was made, owned by LG. Philips LCD Co., Ltd.

The above statement elucidates the common ownership in a clear and conspicuous manner as is set forth in MPEP 706.02(l)(2), and this statement alone is sufficient evidence to disqualify Park from being used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) against the claims of the present invention. Also, the above statement satisfies the Examiner's specific requirement set forth at *inter alia* page 2, lines 7-8 of the Office Action.

As further evidence, the assignment of the present invention was recorded on April 26, 2000 and can be found at reel 010752, frames 0523-0525. The assignment of Park was recorded on December 17, 1999 and can be found at reel 010463, frames 0430-0431.

As a result, the present invention is patentable over Park (or any combination that includes Park) under 35 U.S.C. §103(c).

These rejections are overcome and withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested.

Foreign Priority

The Examiner has acknowledged perfection of foreign priority at page 2, lines 9-12 of the Office Action.

The Drawings

The Examiner is respectfully requested to indicate whether the drawing figures are acceptable in the next official action.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone

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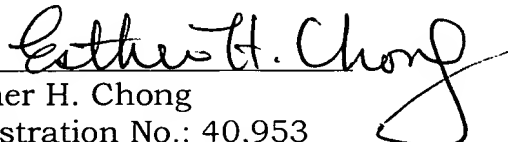
Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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